

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT:	DIRECT GENERAL PARTNER CORPORATION on behalf of DIRECT LP.
PROPOSAL NAME:	Waste Lead Acid Battery Transfer Station
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT:	DGH&T Act
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT:	Waste Lead Acid Battery Storage/Transfer Facility
CLIENT FILE NO.:	5824.00

OVERVIEW:

A *Dangerous Goods Handling & Transportation Act* Application has been filed by Direct General Partner Corporation on behalf of Direct LP. for the operation of a waste lead acid battery transfer facility at 490 Lucas Avenue, Rural Municipality of Rosser, Manitoba. As per application filed by Direct General Partner Corporation, the facility will receive, package and palletize waste lead acid batteries within the warehouse dock and store them in trailers on a short term basis before dispatching them to licensed facilities for processing.

The Proposal was advertised in the Winnipeg free Press on Saturday, April, 30 2016. Copies of the proposal were placed in the Public Registries at the Legislative Library and the Millennium Public Library as well as the online Public Registry. The proposal was distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on April 27, 2016. The closing date for TAC and public comments was on May 30, 2016.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public responses were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC):

Following is a summary of TAC comments received pertaining to the Proposal. Copies of the original comments from TAC are available in the Public Registries.

Manitoba Sustainable Development - Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch

- 1. Does the proponent intend to store the batteries in an area that allows for the containment of a spill?*
- 2. In the event of a large spill, will the waste material be diverted to a holding tank?*
- 3. Will batteries be stored outside at any time?*
- 4. Will batteries be accepted for drop off by public? What the protocol for accepting batteries at the site? Are there any materials that will be considered unacceptable?*

5. *The Contingency plan directs staff to contact the Provincial Emergency Program in the event of a spill, this is a program created and operated in the Province of British Columbia. For spills or emergencies in the Province of Manitoba the proponent is asked to contact 204-944-4888 or 1-855-944-4888*

These comments were provided to the proponent and the proponent responded by indicating the following:

1. *The batteries will be stored in trailers. The area around the trailers is gravel, with no access to drains or waterways. If there are any spills/leaks from a trailer, the gravel will contain the spill.*
2. *There will never be a large spill from the batteries. They are palletized, wrapped in plastic and have absorbent layers underneath and between each layer.*
3. *No.*
4. *No.*
5. *Yes, our ER plan does have the contact information for MB. The contingency plan was developed with BC, and would have their number. But our ER binder has the MB contact information.*

Disposition:

The licence contains clauses requiring the licensee to address these requirements.

No further action needed.

Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC)

The Office of the Fire Commissioner has no comments or concerns.

Disposition:

No action needed.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:

The Project is located within a commercial area within the Rural Municipality of Rosser. The site and the adjacent properties are zoned as Industrial General Zone. All adjacent land potentially affected is privately owned commercial zoned land. The project would not affect resource use on land or water. There are no adjacent or nearby First Nations.

RECOMMENDATION:

The provincial TAC expressed no concerns, or concerns are addressed in the draft licence, regarding the proposal. Therefore, it is recommended that the Development be licensed

under *The Dangerous Goods Handling and Transportation Act* subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached draft DGH&T Act licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be assigned to the Central Region.

PREPARED BY:

Raj Rathamano
Environmental Approvals Branch
July 4, 2016
Telephone: (204) 945-7086 / Fax: (204) 948-2338
E-mail Address: raj.rathamano@gov.mb.ca